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3. Re Log Note # 1 above, in view of O/Director's misgivings about making the announcement to CE's on a Friday, I had  contact Dr. Knox to suggest that the surfacing date be moved back to Monday, 4 February. As expected, he was perfectly amenable to the suggestion. Ned also informed him that contrary to what we had told him this morning, there will be no replacement seal when the Commerce seal is removed from JPRS report covers after surfacing. (cc: D/FBIS; C/JPRS; Chief/TSS)

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FRIDAY 1. [ ] and I met with Dr. William T. Knox, Director, NTIS, to arrange for the surfacing of JPRS. I gave Dr. Knox a copy of the final version of the JPRS Background Statement, which he termed "excellent." We agreed on February 1, 1974 as a good date for the surfacing. We will brief our CE's and he will brief witting NTIS employees on that date, using the information in the background statement to answer any queries, but issuing no formal release. He has already dropped JPRS from the organization charts he uses in his own briefings, and the next issue of the telephone books will also delete JPRS listings. He welcomed our removal of the Department of Commerce seal from JPRS reports and stationery letterhead. He agreed that our Finance people could deal directly with the National Bureau of Standards to arrange the transfer of CE payrolling, but asked that we first touch base with Joe Coyne of NTIS. He appreciated the offer of our OLC to help the Department in dealing with its oversight committees, but said this would not be necessary. He foresees no problems from the NTIS side with the surfacing.

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Of far greater concern to Dr. Knox are the implications of the USSR joining the International Copyright Convention, and how this could affect NTIS's distribution of our reports. He dreads the day when we decide to translate these items only for our own use and not make them available for public distribution. He wondered whether we might seek approval from Soviet publishers for some of the translation we do. He will send me copies of memoranda he has written on his discussions with Soviet officials regarding copyrights during his trip to the Soviet Union. I will forward these to [ ] OGC, our copyright expert.

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The meeting was pleasant and cordial. Dr. Knox is very approachable--and very sharp. (cc: D/FBIS; C/JPRS; C/TSS; JPRS Surfacing file)

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